

NHDOT SPR2 PROGRAM

RESEARCH PROGRESS REPORT

INSTRUCTIONS:

Project Managers and/or Principal Investigators should complete a progress report at least every three months during the project duration. Reports are due the 5th of the month following the end of the quarter. Please provide a project update even if no work was done during this reporting period.

Project # 29729	Report Period Year 2019 <input type="checkbox"/> Q1 (Jan-Mar) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Q2 (Apr-Jun) <input type="checkbox"/> Q3 (Jul-Sep) <input type="checkbox"/> Q4 (Oct-Dec)	
Project Title: Statewide Strategic Transit Assessment (SSTA) Study		
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Project Start Date: 9/21/16	Project End Date: 9/30/19	Project schedule status: <input type="checkbox"/> On schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Ahead of schedule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Behind schedule

Brief Project Description:

This comprehensive study will inventory and assess the needs of NH's public transit systems and intercity bus transportation network, with the primary focus on transit systems that are funded with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds. This study would also identify statewide transit gaps and needs, evaluate the overall statewide transit system for new routes and transit services, and identify opportunities for improved interconnectivity within the statewide and regional transit network.

Progress this Quarter (include meetings, installations, equipment purchases, significant progress, etc.):

- Technology task underway, with phase 1 (inventory) completed
- Two stakeholder meetings as well as presentation at NH Transit Association meeting
- Statewide [survey](#) conducted (due July 15)
- 2nd solicitation of intercity bus routes based on study's recommendations

Items needed from NHDOT (i.e., Concurrence, Sub-contract, Assignments, Samples, Testing, etc...):

- No items needed from M&R at this time.
- Next stakeholder meeting: tentatively July 24th

Anticipated research next 3 months:

- Finalize technology task that identifies funding priorities for items related to technologies
- Complete gap analysis of local transit services, including providing tiered recommendations
- Finalize evaluation of performance measures (ongoing due to substantive feedback)
- Complete first draft of study's final report

Circumstances affecting project: Describe any challenges encountered or anticipated that might affect the completion of the project within the time, scope, and budget, along with recommended solutions to those problems.

The intercity bus consultation process, which is mandated by the Federal Transit Administration, took longer than anticipated, and was the primary cause of the project's actual timeline lagging behind the anticipated timeline. That is completed at this point, with the remainder of the study proceeding according to plan.

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Tasks (from Work Plan)	Planned % Complete	Actual % Complete
Inventory and evaluation of current statewide system	100	95
Public outreach	90	80
Needs and gap analysis – forecast of future demand	95	85
Park & ride assessment	100	95
Documentation	25	0